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Please upload the below and attached to the above application.

Thank you

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From: John Donabie [REDACTED]
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To: Maria Tomalova <Maria.Tomalova@arun.gov.uk>

Subject: BN/18/20/PL Essential Letter to SWS from Dr John Mason MBE

Dear Maria,

Further to SWS's poor response to Dr John Mason's letter requesting relevant information for our councilors, I am attaching Dr Mason's latest letter challenging SWS to provide the information needed to assist councilors in making a judgment. I appreciate that this is now very close to this week's planning meeting where the matter is under agenda item 6. None the less, the SWS response is critical to the purpose of the deferment at the last meeting on June 24th 2020.

I would be grateful, therefore if you would add this letter to the planning application's public file BN/18/20/PL.

I have sent a copy to the members whose names appear on the attendance list for Wednesday.

with kind regards and many thanks in advance,

Yours sincerely,

John Donabie
Deputy Chair, Elm Grove South Residents Association.



Herewith Dr John Mason's latest letter:

Our response to Dan Champion, Senior Key Account Manager, Business Channels, Southern Water.
Dated: 27th July 2020

Dear Mr Champion,

RE: Former Brooks Nursery, BN/18/20/PL

Thank you for your response dated 16th July 2020 to my questions in relation to the above planning application and for your explanation of the measures that the applicant is proposing within the site boundary. However, it is what is going to happen beyond the site boundary that is of key importance here.

I note from your response - "The developer has proposed a connection to manhole SU950438fJ2 on Elm Grove South to the east of the site, but other locations are being considered. The final point of connection will be determined as the design progresses and this will form part of the wider design for the Lidsey Waste Water Treatment Works catchment. The growth design study has commenced but no completion date has been identified at this point in time and at present I do not know when this will be decided".

I am very pleased to hear that the final point of connection from the Brooks Nursery development has not yet been decided and that it forms part of a much wider design study. Such a growth design study for the entire Lidsey WWTW catchment is long overdue. I appreciate that this will take time, so surely it is indeed premature to make any decision on the application being made under BN/18/20/PL until such studies have been completed and their implications fully analysed?

The fact that Southern Water is now obliged under new industry-wide regulations to provide any capacity infrastructure upgrade work that is required so that a Developer is able to connect to a public sewer (with the responsibility for infrastructure upgrades on the Water company) is the substantive point here. If the local foul and surface water sewage disposal network had "inadequate capacity" in June 2013, then it must by definition still have "inadequate capacity" if no significant capacity infrastructure upgrade works have been carried out. So I must ask Southern Water the following question:

Can Southern Water describe in detail the improvements that have been made to the local public sewerage system around the Brooks Nursery development in the past seven years that have specifically increased capacity in the local network (previously described as "inadequate") such that in

Southern Water's opinion there is no longer any greater risk of flooding to existing properties and land as they stated in their original objection letter (dated 27th June 2013).

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

John W. Mason (Dr)

Councillors, I am sure you can see our frustrations over this matter and as nothing significant has changed and no further relevant information has been provided, your current choices are limited to further deferment or refusal.

Yours sincerely,

John Donabie

Deputy Chair, Elm Grove South Residents Association.